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How to Feed Thousands During Centennial Not Yet Solved in Cameron

How to feed thousands of people who are coming here for the three-day Centennial celebration May 23, 24 and 25, apparently had not been solved and the food shortage may put an embarrasing burden on the city during the week.

Folks who go to a celebration are hungry and when folks get hungry they want something to eat and if they don't get it, they get mad.

Cameron is no exception to the condition which prevails all over the country. Its cafes and restaurants cannot feed 25,000 people. In fact they are taxed to feed the regular run of customers.

The Centennial Committee will give a free barbecue to the pioneers in central park. Meat has been purchased. This barbecue is restricted to the pioneers and is not open to the public.

The vast majority who come here will not have opportunity to eat unless they bring their food with them or drive to other nearby towns.

Concessions have been sold and some of them may include small lunches. Nothing has as yet been announced covering the need to provide eating places for the people.

It has been suggested that the army bring field kitchens here together with tents to accomodate the people who will want to stay during the three days. As it looked only two weeks ahead of the celebration, the only source that could posibly feed the people will be the army. Whether such an arrangement could be made is not known. There is the important matter of conserving food for the hungry of Europe and Asia and in consequence there may be shortages, especially on bread.

Beer and soft drink dealers will be facing the same problem, for the shortage there is also acute.

JAMES HENRY JACKSON BURIED AT SALEM WED.

James Henry Jackson, 65, died at the home of his sister, Mrs Hattie Carleton, at Elm Ridge, at 8:45 p.m., Tuesday, May 7.

Mr. Jackson was the son of the late Henry A. Jackson and Louiza Lewis Jackson, early pioneers of Milam county. He was born January 23, 1881 in the Elm Ridge community, and lived there all his life. Mr. Jackson attended Cameron schools, making the trip to and from school by horseback. He was engaged in farming and stock raising.

Survivors include one brother, Pinkney L. Jackson of Cameron, and four sisters; Mrs. Hattie Carleton, Elm Ridge; Mrs. Elaine Young, Mrs. Susanne Wills, both of Cameron, and Mrs. Oletha Thornton of Jacksonville, Texas. There also survive two nephews; Roland J. Carr of Victoria, and Ernest Thornton of Jocksonville.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Frank Lukner, pastor of First Methodist Church, Rockdale, at Green Funeral Chapel, at 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 8. Burial was made in Salem Cemetery with Green Funeral Directors making the arrangements.

Louis Raska is a surgery patient in the Newton Memiroal Hospital and his many friends will be glad to know that he is recovering rapidly.

John R. Grace of Hearne transacted business in Cameron this week.

Stationed In China

PFC. JAMES V. GIBSON

Pfc. James V. Gibson, better known as "Jimmy" is with the U. S. Marine Corps, and is now stationed in China.

Pfc. Gibson volunteered for four years service at the age of seventeen. He received his basic training at San Diego, California.

On January 11, 1946 he sailed for Guam and was transferred from there to China where he serves with the 1st Marine Division.

Pfc. Gibson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. V. Gibson of Cameron.

CENTENNIAL EXHIBITS ARE TO BE ASSEMBLED

Miss Winnie Henderson, chairman of the committee for exhibits, said early Monday that arrangements had been completed for assembling relics of the past.

Old families who are identified with the early history of Cameron and Milam county were urged to bring in mementoes of the past. Miss Henderson said that the exhibits will be classified and each one will be labeled with the names of the owners.

These exhibits will be placed beginning May 13. The following places have been designated as assembly points: Texas Power & Light Company, Lone Star Gas Company, Community Public Eervice Company, New Cameron Drug Company, Caperton's Store and the Chamber of Commerce.

Articles from the first years of the city and county's history are especially sought. It is suggested that anything representative of the past 25 years would not be considered of Centennial color though interesting from exhibit standpoint.

The old settlers are expected to

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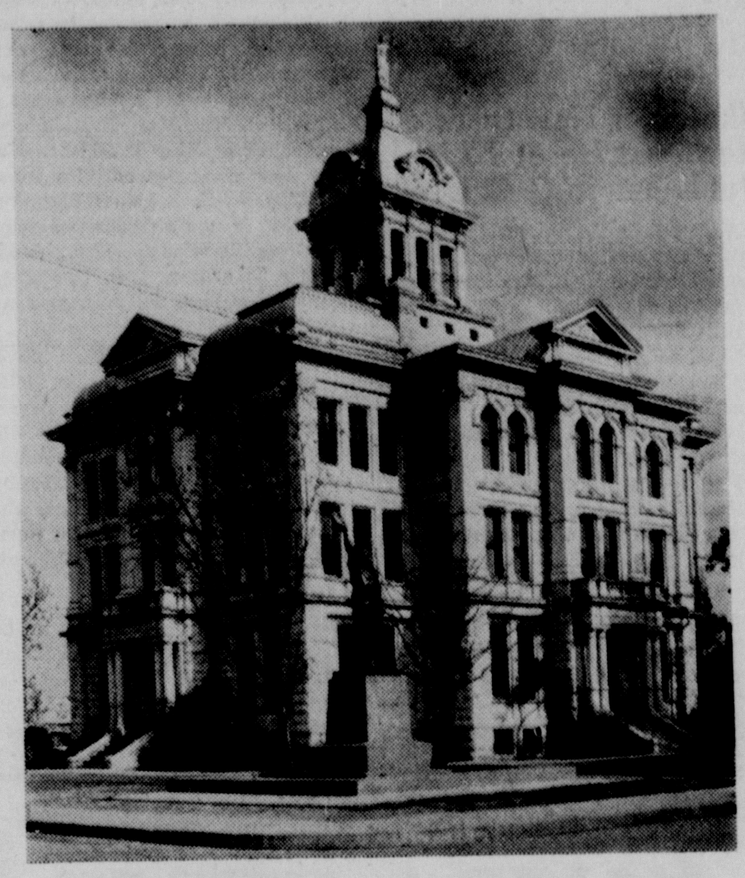

First Court House Was Cabin Type Built 1846

By KATHRYN ROBBINS

(Mrs. O. B. Mackensen now member of faculty at Louisiana State University)

FOREWORD

This theme is an attempt to tell in a simple fashion the history of the most important edifice of the City of Cameron, the court house. There have been four in number, and each has been described in as accurate a manner as possible.

Most of my information was gathered from the court house records of this couny. However, I am deeply indebted to pioneer settlers and old friends for information which otherwise could not have been secured. In adition, I want to thank my mother for personal aid and suggestions given me, and my history teacher for her assistance and words of encouragement. Without their interest in my work I would not have persevered long enough to obtain the data necessary for this sketch.

There are many historic spots and buildings connected with the history of Milam county which, if they were allowed to speak for themselves, could relate stories of horror and gruesomeness as well as stories of adventure and bravery. Such places as Port Sullivan, such spots as old Nashville, which for several years after Cameron was laid out and established as the county seat, were her very successful rivals in trade, are silent regarding real facts of their early struggles for existence, and to Cameron's courthouse is entrusted the record of Milam county's pioneers. Since this is to be an historical sketch and not an imaginative one, the writer has decided to forego the desire to deal with imaginary events and portray purely historical incidents wrapped up in the history of Milam county's courthouse, located at Cameron.

At various periods, four court houses have guarded the history of a class of people which can be found only in such a country. A people who, though crude in a way, were honest, brave, steadfast in friendship and hospitable to a degree excelled by few people of the world.

"The first building was erected in the early part of the year 1846. Hon. W. W. Oxsheer, who was the first District Clerk and also Deputy District Surveyor of Milam county, says: "I remember the town (Cameron) was laid off by A. W. Sullivan, Benjamin Hobson, and Daniel Monroe.

"The first building erected was a court house. If I were an expert draughtsman, I believe I could draw an exact picture of Milam county's first temple of justice, for I retain a very distinct recollection of it. It was a rude structure of small dimensions but abundantly large enough and sufficiently ornate for the plain people who used it. It was thirty feet east and west by twenty feet north and south, about nine feet high to the eaves, built of upright studding mortised into sills and plates, weatherboarded on the outside, floored with plank cut out by hand with a whip-

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Constable W. J. Lee Resigns from Office

Constable W. J. Lee for Precinct 4, has resigned his office.

Judge Jeff T. Kemp was in receipt of a letter from Mr. Lee. It was expected that the Commissioners' Court would act on the vacancy at its next meeting here.

Judge Kemp was leaving the city for a Knights of Pythias convention this week.

History of Court Houses Spans Long Period Of History in Cameron; Written by Student In High School, Now Member of L. S. U. Faculty

History of court houses in Cameron was written by Kathryn Robbins, a Cameron high school student, who graduated in the Class of June 1926.

Miss Robins is now Mrs. O. B. Mackensen and a teacher in the University of Louisiana. She is the wife of Dr. O. B. Mackensen, with the research department of the university.

The original manuscript is now in the archives of the University of Texas where Mrs. Mackensen graduated in 1930. The Herald previously published this history and now has a copy of the manuscript with the following notation.

"Miss Robbins was born at Anderson, Texas. She is now a Junior in the Yoe High School of Cameron. Her father was principal of one of the schools in Brownwood when he died. Miss Robbins takes an interest in all school activities, and is specializing in music. Miss Sue Moore, teacher of history in the Cameron High School directed this paper."

Mrs. Mackensen is the daughter of Mrs. Kathryn Robbins of Cameron, who is a member of the school faculty and who for a number of years was County Superintendent and widely known for her educational activities.

During the Centennial year this historic account of the building will be of great interest.

The present court house, as will be noted in Mrs. Mackensen's account, is substantially as first completed. The photo was made before it was altered to accommodate a new roof. In large measure the architectural beauty of the building was destroyed. It is companion in design to the Bell county court house at Belton, one of the most impressive in Texas.

Mayor McCullin Asks Council Sit as Board Of Equalization Here

Mayor A. W. McCullin asked the City Council to sit as a Board of Equalization this year to establish tax values for the coming fiscal year.

The council asked for time to consider whether to act as a board.

Mayor McCullin believes that the city should have a tax survey and hopes to put this system in operation next year. The tax survey has been adopted by nearly all cities as a means of arriving at fair and equal values. Where such values are established by actuaries they usually remain as set.

Cameron Due to Get Federal Airport Aid

Washington.—Texas' share in the $500,000,000 airport authorization bill which has finally been approved by congress and will become law with the president's signature, will be a minimum of $25,000,000 and may exceed that amount when final apportionments are made.

This money tentatively allocated by the Civil Air Administration to Texas represents the state's share of seventy-five per cent of the total authorization. This fund will be distributed to the states on a population-area formula which assures more money to Texas than to any other state.

As passed by the senate, 25 per cent of the total fund will be allocated to the various states at the discretion of C. A. A., to be based on needs to be dictated by a survey which is expected to be made this summer. Now before congress is a bill to allocate $3,000,000 for this purpose.

All funds handed over to municipalities will be allocated on a 50-50 basis, and C. A. A. emphasized that the development of smaller airfields will be encouraged to aid in the development of private flying. In fact appropriations from the fund for large airfields, capable of handling the largest commercial planes will need Congressional approval.

A preliminary C. A. A. plan drawn up in 1944 and which investigated the future need for airports for the state, tentatively allocated Texas more than $60,000,000, but it was explained that this sum was estimated as Texas' share from the entire $500,000,000 appropriation.

Based on this preliminary report

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HAVE YOU HAD A SHARE IN CENTENNIAL EXPENSE?

Have you had a share in the expenses of the Centennial?

If not, think seriously of your obligation to Cameron, the city that supports you and your business.

This thing of the celebration is a common, community enterprise in which all should have a share. It is not only a privilege but your plain duty to do what you can to share the burden of this marking of 100 years of history—colorful years into which have been crowded many of the transcending events of Texas history.

Today there is praise on the lips of everyone for those who have led out in this great celebration. The men who have volunteered to give their time to stage it, to raise the money to plan and to burden themselves with no thought of reward save to see that this city marks well its 100 years.

Likewise there is praise for those who have given their money. Some have given much, others lesser amounts ,but in the main every business firm in Cameron has already bought a share in the future of the city as well as to memorialize its past.

Now ,with only a few days remaining, it is the privilege of the individual to give, to get your name on that honor roll to be published this week. These few days left are for you. If you have not given see the committeemen at once. Your name should not be left off the list of those who love their city and to be publicised as share-holders in our future.

JOHN TALLENT BURIED IN BURLINGTON MAY 2

John Tallent, who passed away at the home of his son, R. E. Tallent, in Dallas, on April 30, 1946 ,was born June 2, 1859 in Colorado County, Texas.

Funeral services with Requiem High Mass, were held Thursday in St. Michael's Church, Burlington, by Rev. Father M. O. Regan. Burial took place in the Catholic cemetery in Burlington ,with Nicholson's in charge.

Mr. Tallent was preceded in death by his wife and four sons, three of whom died in infancy and Lee, who lived in Burlington a number of years. He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. J. M. Nolan, of Burlington, and three sons; Tom of Rosebud, Roy and Ruben of Dallas; one sister, Mrs. Mary Braden of Sabinal, Texas. Also twenty-three grand children and twenty-four great-grandchildren survive.

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Orchestra Leader

GRAY GORDON

Gray Gordon and his Tic-Toc Rhythm will feature the Centennial dance to be given on Friday night, May 24 in the high school gymnasium. Albert Collins, chairman of the committee on arrangements has placed tickets on sale and local people are urged to buy so that the number to be allocated elsewhere may be known early.

Black Market Moves Out of Alley Into Nation's Glass Front Store

Cars, Butter, Cement Blocks All Figure In Price Debacle

Who cared about the black market? Not the U. S. people.

In New York City one day last week ten housewives led by a public school teacher, made the rounds of their neighborhood meat and food dealers to ask their help in combating the black market. They got little comfort. At one store jeering employes told them: "Go home and wash your dishes."

By last week the U.S. public, in most communities, had just about lost all of its wartime resistance against black marketing. Most people seemed to be resigned to widespread violations of the price-control laws. As they did in the Prohbition era ,the people now winked and smiled at lawbreaking, helped the violators along by apathy or complacency, by scrambling to buy their wares at almost any price. The black market was just about out of hand—and off the American conscience.

It had moved out of the alley and into the regular avenues of trade. The pattern was uniformly ugly: the public not only tacitly approved of price cheating and shady dealings; it connived in them. In many a deal it was now the customer who suggested the "side money" bonus. Every community had its folklore and favorite practice:

In uninspected barnyard slaughterhouses, the seller might sugest to the buyer: "Bet you $100 you can't hit the barn door with your hat at 100 yards."

In hundreds of cities, renters of apartments, buyers of grain, textiles, beer, and almost every short article might propose the never-won wager: "Bethca I can spit farther than you can."

In auto salesrooms the man who drops eight or ten $100 bills on the desk and quickly looks the other way was not uncommon.

On used car lots the over-ceiling premium bought a jack, an extra battery, a blanket—at $100 and up. In Oklahoma City, a dealer had a tired

Suckers With Money Ripe for Robbery As OPA Subsides

hunting hound which he habitually sold—along with a car. The hound dog always shuffled back to the lot.

In Cleveland an auto repairman upped his bill by charging for 167 hours of labor on a car he had in his shop for a week (total hours in a week: 168).

Almost everywhere nylon stockings, once the $10-a-pair symbol of affluence and incluence, had become wampum.

Back of the Barn. The public swiftly caught on to every unethical trick. The man who wanted a new automobile in a hurry, but had no car to trade in, knew that some dealer would sell him a second-hand car at $800 and then take it back in trade at $400. The OPA was virtually helpless against the racket in autos. It caught some little fish (some of them several times), but snagged few really big ones.

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Angeline Wimmer Is Married to Rudolph Hromcik In Cameron

St. Monicas Catholic Church was the scene of the marriage of Angeline Wimmer of Fort Worth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Wimmer of Muenster, to Rudolph Sammie Hromcik, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hromcik of Cameron on April 30.

Rev. George Duda read the double-ring service at nine o'clock in the morning before an altar banked with seasonal flowers.

Miss Dorothy Wimmer, sister of the bride, of Fort Worth, and Lillian Volka of Cameron, attended the bride as bridesmaids, and Louis Absnaider of Cameron, served as best man, with Truitt Chambers of Cameron serving as groomsman.

The bride was attired in a flowing white dress fashioned with a white satin brocaded bodice and a full net skirt over white satin. Her finger-tip veil was caught with net ruffles, and she carried an arm bouquet of white carnations.

Miss Wimmer wore a long peach colored chiffon dress with white carnations in her hair. Miss Volka was dressed in blue taffeta with pink carnations for her hair.

The bride and groom entered together and were met at the altar by their attendants where the impressive nuptial mass was read.

Following the ceremony a reception, honoring the wedding party, was held at the home of the groom's parents. The home was decorated with seasonal flowers with the three-tiered wedding cake topped with miniature bride and groom gracing the dining table.

Out-of-town guests were from Fort Worth, Muenster, Tyler, and Gainsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Hromcik will make their home in Fort Worth where they are both employed, Mrs. Hromcik with Hillcrest Beauty Salon, and Mr. Hromcik is employed with Frank Kuban.

Subscribers to Fund For Centennial To Be Published Soon

Subscribers to the Centennial Fund who have made the celebration possible will be listed in a published honor roll, it was announced by O. B. Horstmann, chairman of the finance committee.

The list of the business firms who have contributed is in the hands of the publishers, but is awaiting the signal from the committee.

A number of business firms have not as yet made their contributions. The list is being held up to let all have a share in this great patriotic enterprise.

A second list is being made up of individuals who are sending in their money to insure the success of the celebration.

Ernest L. Kunchick of Route 1, was a business visitor in Cameron Saturday.

CAMERON BAND RATES BEST AT CONTEST

Cameron's high school band won highest rating in the Regional contest at Waco Hall at Baylor University Friday.

Francis Cox, leader of the band, could not be contacted Saturday for details but it was learned the band had rated top honors along with three other bands at the contest. Whether Cameron was No. 1 could not be ascertained Saturday.

The Cameron band has won previous honors both at the Region contest and the state contest and went to the national contest in Abilene several years ago under Francis Cox.

Senator Kyle Vick Is Visitor Here Friday; Working on Highway

Senator Kyle Vick of Waco was in Cameron Friday to visit with friends and to inquire into progress on the new bridge.

Recently the Texas Highway Department had a sketch made of the new bridge and this will be published in the forthcoming book by the Chamber of Commerce.

Senator Vick now has plans well advanced for Highway 77 through Milam county and Falls county and says the new bridge will hasten work on the highway. He hopes to have something definite on the plans soon.

Chairman Redditt of the Highway Commission was here recently with Senator Vick and were tendered a luncheon by citizens. Mr. Redditt is interested in Highway 77.

Mrs. J. N. Motte Of Taft Will Attend Centennial Celebration

Mrs. J. N .Motte of Taft, Texas, former resident of Cameron, has written The Herald ,asking for copies of the paper to get Centennial news.

Mrs. Motte will be remembered here as the former Miss Molie Ethridge, of Troy, North Carolina. In her letter she says:

"My uncle, John H. Bickett, advised ns to come to Texas some 50 years ago. I married James N. Motte November 29, 1899 in Cameron and taught in the public schools of Milam county several years and have fond recollections of the many parents of children as well as a host of friends in the county.

"I plan to attend the Centennial and hope to meet many friends, though Iam sure the major number have passed on, yet I'll know their chuldren. As I remember, Mr. McAnally was publisher of The Herald in my day."

Mr. McAnally was the father of Mrs. R. L. Batte, Sr.

P. H. Bowen, superintendent of Rogers schools and about 30 members of the Junior Class, visited the Cameron Court House and other places of interest Wednesday.

Only 2 Concessions Left to Be Sold Here For The Centennial

Only two concessions were left unsold here Friday for the Centennial.

Rudolph Richter, chairman of the concessions committee ,said that all concessions had been sold at Wilson-Ledbetter Park where the rodeo is to be held, at the City Central Park and on the court house lawn.

Concessions that are not sold are at City Airport and Athletic field.

Mr. Richter and his committee are being thanked for a job well done thus far.

Sketch of New Bridge Received Here; To Be Published in C. C. Book

A sketch of the new bridge across Little River has been received in Cameron from the Texas Highway Department.

Senator Kyle Vick of Waco responded to a request by the Chamber of Commerce for a picture of the new bridge. This sketch is an artists conception of how the new bridge will look when complete.

The picture will be published sometime this year in a book to be issued by the Chamber of Commerce in Cameron.

George E. Pounds of Cameron has enlisted in the army at Randolph Field in San Antonio. He is a veteran of World War II and served in the navy. He graduated at Yoe High school in Cameron and was discharged from the navy in December 1945.

MARY RANDOLPH HEADS BUSINESS WOMEN HERE

The Business & Professional Women's Club enjoyed a breakfast at 9:00 o'clock Sunday morning at the Bever Coffee Shop, honoring Miss Kate Adel Hill, of Bryan, State Chairman, and a former state president, who gave a splendid and instructive talk.

At the close of the program, a short business session was held by the president, Miss Mary Randolph, at which time the previously named nominating committee made their report, and the following officers were elected to serve this coming year:

President, Miss Mary Randolph, re-elected; First Vice President, Mrs. Mary Lawrence; Second Vice President, Mrs. K. K. Robbins; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Edith Starnes; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Linda Perkins; Treasurer, Mrs. L. Bigbee. Appointive officers will be named later.

Guests present other than members were, the guest speaker, Miss Hill, Miss Alma Ewing of Bryan, Miss Dorothy Jane Hearrell, Miss Mildred Thornton, Miss Lois Randolph, Miss Johnson, Home Demonstration Agent; Mrs. Inez Evans Collins, who favored the club with a voice number, accompanied by Mrs. W. C. Bradbury at the piano .

Wheeler Shelton has enlisted in the Quartermaster Corps of the army at Randolph Field in San Antonio. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Leslar Brown of Milam county. He attended the Rosebud High school.

BRANCHVILLE STORE IS LOOTED BY ROBBERS

Sheriff Carl C. Black said early Monday that the Smith store in Branchville had been burglarized.

The store had been entered sometime after midnight and a considerable amount of merchandise taken. In some departments the stocks were looted.

State headquarters was requested t osend fingerprint men to the store. The robbers entered by breaking a lock.

Sheriff Black said that no clues were found and he would not know how to proceed further until the premises have been checked for finger prints.

A small store of Jimmy Thweatt was also burglarized and a large quantity of cigarettes taken.

Mrs. James W. Hagood and children of Fort Worth were week end guests of Mrs. Hagood's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Slocomb.

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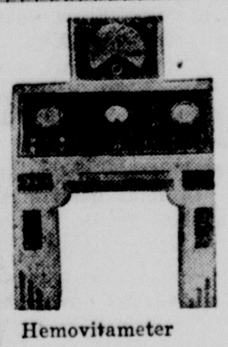
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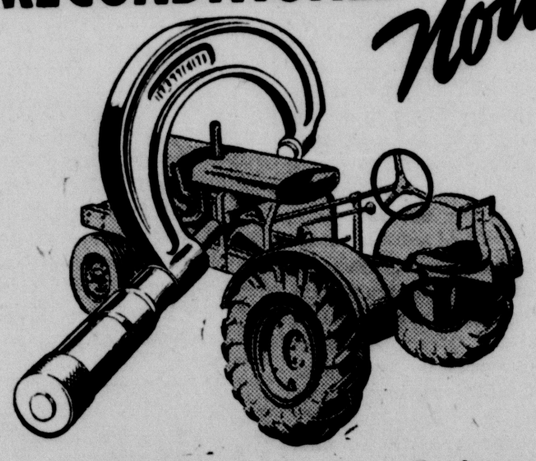

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Rescue 18 Nuns From Indo-China Island

SAIGON, INDO-CHINA.—French forces have rescued 17 French nuns, an Annamite nun, and a French girl from an island in the Mekong river where they had been held prisoner for over a month, a bulletin issued by the headquarters of Gen. Jacques Leclerc, French commander in Indo-China, said.

Vet Kills Wife, Daughter, Self

Tragedy Closes Month-Long Quarrel; Three Dead.

WASHINGTON.—Three members of a family of four were dead in a tragic climax to a discharged soldier's month-long quarrel with his wife.

John H. Fitzgerald, 34, veteran of the Philippines fighting, provided the bloody ending when he shot and killed his wife, Mary Adel, 24, and their daughter Mary Ann, 2, and then blew off his own head with a 12-gauge shotgun.

Police said Fitzgerald also might have shot his other daughter, Carol Ann, 4, if she had not been whisked out of the way by Mrs. Fitzgerald's mother, Mrs. George W. Chapman.

The tragedy occurred in the Chapman home in suburban Hyattsville, Md.

Officers gave this account of the tragedy:

Fitzgerald left home one night, and did not return until 3:30 next afternoon. He had been drinking.

Friends and reatives in the Chapman home said he appeared in a "good mood." He told them he had come to "pick up some of my things."

Before going upstairs, Fitzgerald stopped and took some shotgun shells from a dining room closet.

Suddenly he rushed downstairs, shotgun in hand. Mrs. Fitzgerald was sitting in the living room, Mary Ann in her arms.

Firing at almost point - blank range, Fitzgerald shot his wife and then the child. Then he killed himself.

Fitzgerald was to have started his first postwar job as a plasterer the next day.

War's Casualties Range From Auks to Whales

WASHINGTON.—The interior department reported that "thousands of auks, murres, puffins, sea gulls and ducks" perished during the war along with "unknown quantities of whales."

The birds were victims of oil on the sea "which penetrates the feathers and ruins them as waterproof coverings." (That means they sank.)

The whales were said to "have been killed in the course of submarine warfare." And the whale is, the department reminded, "the most valuable animal in existence."

The report on wildlife casualties was published in the annual accounting of the work done by various agencies in the department headed by Harold L. Ickes.

Other points:

1. Continental fish and wildlife may well have benefited by the cutdown on hunting and fishing during the war.

2. De-jungleizing of Pacific islands destroyed many nesting grounds for sea birds "and has perhaps even extinguished at least two species, the laysan island rail and the laysan island finch."

3. The war pulled a lot of men out of the fish and wildlife service and here is a good field for "returned war veterans seeking to establish themselves in civilian life."

Reveal 'Murders' of 462 Babies on German Farms

BRUNSWICK, GERMANY.—British war crime investigators announced the completion of an inquiry into one of the Nazis' most revolting crimes — the methodical murder by "wilful neglect" on two "baby farms" of 462 infants. Sixteen men and three women have been arrested for trial.

The investigators said the children were judged under Nazi policy to have been born illegitimately to slave laborers working on farms and in the volkswagon (German jeep) factory near Brunswick.

They were separated from their mothers at the ages of 10 days to three months and placed in two farms at the villages of Velpke and Ruehen. Out of 114 put in wooden huts at Velpke, 92 died. All 370 died who were in corrugated iron sheds at Ruehen.

The British report said the babies were kept in crude cribs which were seldom if ever cleaned.

Wants Workers Classified According to Blood Tests

PARIS.—Reorganization of workers according to aptitudes indicated by blood analysis was suggested in a paper read before the Academy of Sciences. Mme. Leone Bourdel, author of the paper, said that races and individuals could be classified according to the nature of their blood which would give the key to their physical and mental capacities.

Classified ads bring results.

PROGRAM ANNOUNCED FOR PIONEER REUNION

Program for the Central Texas Pioneer Reunion to be held on Saturday, May 25, as a part of the Centennial celebration in Cameron was announced early Thursday by R. L. Batte, Sr., chairman.

The Pioneers will gather in City Park and the reunion promises to be the largest gathering of its kind in the history of the association.

Here is the program:

9:00 to 10:00—Registration of Pioneers.

10:00 to 11:30—Call to Order by Emory Camp, Master of Ceremonies. Welcome address by Mayor A. W. McCullin. Introduction of Chairman, R. L. Batte, Sr. and Mrs. Jeff T. Kemp. Welcome to the Central Texas Old Settlers as visitors, and time will be taken for organization of their meeting and election of officers for the next year. Five minute talks by Judge John Watson and Judge Jeff T. Kemp, these talks will be followed by volunteer talks from any of the Pioneers. Community singing led by Billie Triggs and Price Cross.

11:30 to 12:00 Intermission, with band music by the Yoe High School Band.

12:00 to 1:00—Dinner.

1:00 to 1:30—Boyce House will speak on Texas history and Folklore to the Pioneers.

1:30 to 2:30—Old Fiddlers Contest ($150.00 in prizes).

Funeral Services Held For Infant Daughter of Sgt., Mrs. T. S. Malone

Funeral services for the infant daughter of Sgt. and Mrs. T. S. Malone were conducted by Rev. K. R. Isbell, pastor, at First Methodist Church in Cameron, Monday, April 29, 1946, at 1:00 p.m. Burial was made in Liberty cemetery.

Margurete Cecelia Malone was born Sunday, April 28, 1946, in Austin, Texas. She is survived by her parents, and one sister, age five, and one brother age one and one-half years. She was the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Malone of Cameron.

Pallbearers were Frank and Hardy Malone and Joe Bob and Brooks Kirk.

Membership Increase For P.-T.A. Wins Cup At Temple Meeting

At a meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association this week the Woodson Cup was presented to this district. Cameron won the cup for the largest increase in the 9th District during the past year.

Cameron was represented by Mrs. Grady Stidham and Mrs. Leo Fuchs in Temple on the 23rd and 24th of April, where an interesting program was held at the First Baptist church. Among the distinguished speakers were Dr. Gordon Singleton of Belton, and Boyce House.

The District Board members were entertained at a dinner on Monday evening in the Blue Room at the Kyle Hotel. Mrs. Stidham attended. Other entertainments included a luncheon at the Methodist Church and a banquet which was held at the new home of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this opportunity to express our sincere thanks to our many friends for their sympathy and kindness during the illness and death of our dear son and brother, Jeff Faulkner. Our hearts will awlays be filled with gratitude for each of you.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Faulkner and Family.

Miss George Ann Gilpin of Cameron is among the students currently enrolled at Southwest Texas State College at San Marcos, and is majoring in home economics.

Mrs. Burns Bever Is Now With Lone Star Gas Company Here

Mrs. Burns Bever has accepted a position with the Lone Star Gas Company in Cameron as office manager, and began her duties on May 1.

This responsible assignment in the service of the corporation was tendered Mrs. Bever in February. She resigned her position as Deputy Tax Collector for Milam County, in April, when auto registrations had been completed, electing to remain on with her work there during the heavy demand for help in the office.

Mrs. Bever took up her new duties with the Gas company on May 1. For a number of years she had held a very responsible place in the office of the Tax Collector. Regarded as one of the better experienced and more efficient of the capable office asistants in this section, Mrs. Bever will have important responsibilities with the corporation to which she has been invited. Her many friends will be glad to know of her new employment.

Mr. and Mrs. James Brock of Paris were week end visitors in Cameron. Mrs. Brock is the former Miss Loretta Polansky of Cameron and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Polansky. Mr. Brock is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Brock and is employed in the First National Bank in Paris. Before leaving Cameron, Mr. Brock was with the Texas Power & Light company.

Little Miss Rita Reid, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Reid, who has been quite ill with measles for some days, is now reported to be doing better and hopes to be able to go back to school by next week.

Billie Cooper and family of Waco visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grady Cooper, this week.

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He was explaining it to us in Andy Botkin's Garden Tavern, and Andy nodded approvingly.

"The same goes for any industry," says Andy. "Like the brewers who give us tavern keepers beer to sell. If they find the place isn't up to standard—clean and courteous and wholesome—they start giving warning. Then, if the warning isn't heeded, they start trimming!"

From where I sit, self-regulation within the brewing industry has done as much to give us pleasant, wholesome places to enjoy a moderate glass of beer, as Asa Fullmore's forestry has done to keep his white pines tall and healthy. It's nature's own protection—and the best there is!

Joe Marsh

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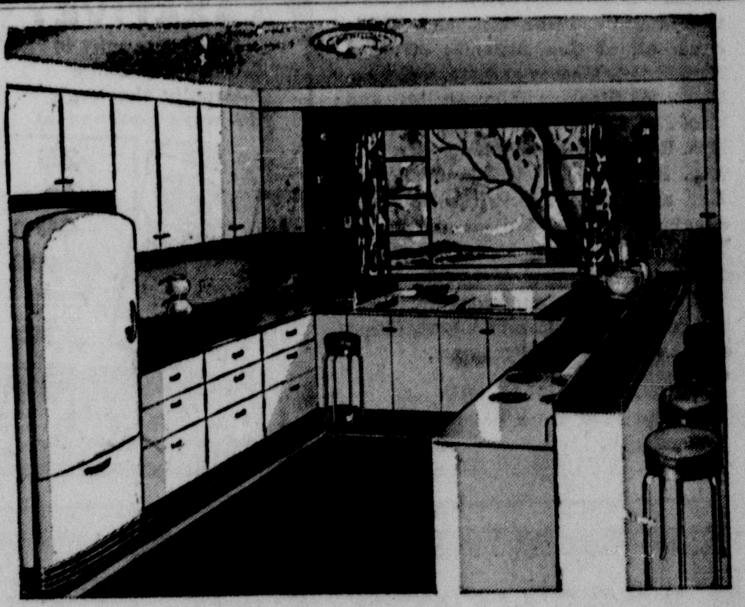

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Old Land Document Is Exhibited; Signed By Anson Jones In 1845

An old land document dated November 12, 1845 and signed by Anson Jones, then President of the Republic of Texas, now the property of Ed Gunn, county attorney, was on exhibit here Tuesday and will be seen by Centennial visitors.

Mr. Gunn has placed the document and also a deed with Miss Winnie Henderson, chairman of the exhibits committee.

The document is a headright grant, one of few in existence and was title to about 1800 acres of land in the Watson Branch community in Milam county. The deed is a record of sale of this land. The headright grant was made by the Republic of Texas to Phenias Jenks Mahan. It came into possession of Mrs. Gunn through her father, J. C. Bounds, who bought land out of the original grant.

The document, on parchment, was a neat lithograph by J. Harris, engraver in New York. It bears the seal of the Republic of Texas and also the seal of the Land Office which is attached with a white silk ribbon. When the documents were filed for record Mrs. Kathryn Robbins was a clerk in the office of Will T. Yates, County Clerk.

The deed is interesting, written on fools cap paper, its issue was under the Republic of Texas in 1838 and the county of Harrisburg, which later became Harris county. The land was sold by Mahan to Elisha Floyd Collins in 1838 and the field notes say that the tract was situated 90 miles above Bastrop. Witnesses who signed the deed in September 1838 were Wm. T. Floyd, Sam I. McGown and George Copeland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ladis Zavrel of Rt. 2 ,Buckholts ,are the proud parents of a 6½-pound daughter, Patricia, born at 9:25 p.m., Tuesday, April 30 at Newton Memorial Hospital.

TALLENT

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Pallbearers were six grandsons; Edwin and William Tallent of Houston, Raymond and Shirden Tallent of Dallas, Ruben Tallent of Rosebud, and Gerald Tallent of San Antonio.

Relatives and friends attending the funeral from out of town were; Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Tallent and Margaret, Mrs. J. J. Kemendo, Mrs A. Rousseau, Mr. and Mrs Raymond Tallent and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Shirden Tallent, Mr. and Mrs. Truitt Revis, Tom Sander and Fred Sliva ,all of Dallas; Mrs. Margaret Kilday Sandliro, Mrs. Wm. O'Connell, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wunsck and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Tallent and son, and Willie Brod ,all of San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maertz and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Stock of Wharton; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Busker and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Benesh and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Schwarting and family, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Tallent and daughter, William Tallent and Marie Tallent of Houston; Mrs. Chet Brandon and children of Malverne, L. I., New York. Also numerous relatives and friends from Rosebud, Lott, Cameron and other nearby towns.

BLACK MARKET

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Last week however, it netted a whopper—the biggest used car ring. In 18 months it had handled about 5,000 cars, worth $4,000,000 at ceiling prices, sold them for $7,000,000. The techinque: buying from individuals in auto-jammed Detroit, selling to the auto-hungry mid-South through auction outlets in sleepy Cairo, Ill., and sleepier Murray, Ky. The indicted ringleader: dark, stocky Ben Fishel of Cairo, whose business ran merrily on while he served in the Army.

All over the nation there was now little hesitancy—from sellers & buyers alike— in flouting the laws. In the South and Southwest it was lumber-running—on the highways outside San Antonio and Austin, Tex., there is lively bidding each night at $1,200 for big truckloads or lumber worth $720 at ceiling prices. In almost every rural area, war veterans with priorities bought new tractors, sold them back of the barn at $500 profit. In Florida, cement building blocks (ceiling 17c) had a current black-market price of 60c.

In New Orleans last week an airplane arrived from North Dakota—and a famed restaurant had 760 lbs. of butter at 90c a lb. In Wisconsin it was cheese butter, and hijacked beer which filtered through illegal channels. In New York City, men's clothing dealers bought low-priced suits from an ethical low-priced retailer, substituted their own labels for his and sold the suits for twice what they had cost. In Colorado it was grain-running to sheep and cattle feeders. In Iowa is was almost anything the farmer's heart desired for a couple of carloads of corn.

Across the land the scofflaw was king—and he had many subjects.—Time.

EXHIBITS

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make this part of the Centennial interesting.

These exhibits are needed this week so that work of classification can begin. Not much time is left. Articles dealing with the Civil War period and back of that era are especially desirable.

The committee is as follows: Miss Winnie Henderson, chairman, M. G. Cox, Miss Lillian Atkinson, Miss Ada Marguerite Smith, Mrs. John House, Mrs. Earl Johnson, J. Albert Young, Joe Denson and Mrs. Lottie Bigbee.

Summing up the exhibits the Central Committee commented as follows: Articles especially desired are things that are old, things that have an interesting history; things that have an interesting background. There are hundreds of interesting things in the homes of Milam county.

WANT-ADS

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FOR SALE—127-acre farm well improved. 100 acres in cultivation. Located in Marak community. L. E. Ward. (41-8tp)

FOR SALE—Four tenant houses. See C. W. Bailey at Branchville. (51-4tp)

WILL BUY HOGS every week day. T. J. Kirk, phone 272. (50-3tc)

FOR SALE—House and lot in Burns addition, now vacant. O. D. Graham, Thorndale, Texas. (50-1tc)

PAY CASH for good used cars. See me before you sell. George Childress (43-tf)

FOR SALE—Standard Mowing Machine. See Walter Hagemeister, Rt. 2, Rogers, Texas. (51-3tp)

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WANTED—White lady between 20 and 40, single, as housekeeper. Room, private bath, Christian home. Good salary. References exchanged. If interested write Mrs. Gerald C. Mann, 2727 Lovers Lane, Dallas. (1-3tc)

WANT TO BUY—Young Jersey bull. Willard Chapman, Rt. 1, Thorndale, Texas. (1-2tp)

FOR SALE—A No. 1 Jersey milk cow. G. N. Elmore, 4 miles on Highway from Milano. (1-3tp)

STRAYED—Saturday afternoon, blue roan and white paint horse, about 3 years old with white blaze face. Phone 238, Buddy Shipp. (1-1tp)

FOR SALE—1940 model Ford pickup. Johnnie Ethridge. (2-1tp)

Any make radio repaired. Call 104. PARMA RAIDO SERVICE.

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WANTED—To mend your hose. Mail to Box 61, or bring to Mrs. Rex Bartlett, Minerva ,or leave at E. L. Muse Grocery. For information phone 9013-F5. (2-1tp)

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Rockdale Rodeo Will Be Held Sunday, May 12

An all-riding rodeo will be held in Rockdale Sunday, May 12 at the Fair Park. The program will get under way at 2 p.m.

The program for the afternoon includes bronc riding, bulldogging, junior steer riding, ladies flag race, steer riding and other events.

There will be no roping. Each event will be a contest. The rodeo is owned and operated by Gene Chaddock and is expected to attract many performing stars.

Louie Gerick of Route 3 visited in Cameron this week.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Th Herald is authorized to announce the following candidates for nomination subject to the action of the Democratic Primary to be held on Saturday, July 27, 1946:

For Congress:
W. R. POAGE

For Flotorial Representative 65th District:
HENRY G. LEHMAN

For Representative 64th District:
A. N. GREEN

For County Attorney:
W. A. (BILL) MORRISON
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For County Judge:
JEFF T. KEMP

For County Treasurer:
R. A. (Woodsie) DEVERS

For County Clerk:
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For District Clerk:
GRADY ALLEN

For Assessor and Collector of Taxes:
VALTER WHITE
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For Sheriff:
CARL BLACK

For Commissioner Precinct No. 1
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ED. O. PAGEL

For Commissioner Precinct No. 2:
W. W. (Dock) MARKHAM
GRADY STIDHAM

For Commissioner, Precinct 3
RAYMOND DEES
JESTUS ALFORD
BYRON NEAL
L. D. SHAW

NEWS FROM MILANO

The senior class spent the week end in San Marcos. The class has 21 members this year. Mrs. Jessie Bankston, Supt. H. H. Pruitt, Mrs Wise, Mrs. McDermott, and Mrs. Cloud accompanied them on the trip.

Mrs. Billie Timmons an dchildren are visiting with Mrs. Timmon's mother, Mrs. H. M. Timmons. The family will reside in Porto Rico when housing accomodations are available.

Mrs. Ida Howes visited in Bryan over the week end.

Tom Nabor is at Hearne with his daughter, who is seriously ill.

Mrs. Jackson and mother, Mrs. Smith, visited in Rockdale recently.

Stanley McCollum has returned home from a Temple hospital where he was confined three weeks with a broken leg. Mrs. Margaret Black and daughter spent a few days with her father.

Mrs. Hinton Pruitt spent Sunday with her sister in Gause.

Mrs. Callie Gerdes and daughter, Linda Ann, have returned to their home in Caldwell after visiting in the home of her mother and sister.

Mrs. Geresky of Bryan spent the week end in the home of Mrs. Ida Howes.

Traffic Lights Are To Be Installed

Two traffic lights, one of them taken down some months ago, are to be installed.

The City Council Tuesday night authorized the installation of these lights. It was thought the location would depend on a survey to see where they are most needed.

The Council also lowered the swimming fee to 14c for children at the municipal pool in Wilson-Ledbetter Park.

Dr. Robert Titsworth

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This Is a Plea For Employes of Cameron Business Houses

This is a plea for employes of Cameron business houses!

No provision has been made officially for their participation in the Centennial Celebration here on May 23, 24 and 25.

The Herald is greatly interested in the suggestion that arrangements be made to permit these people to enjoy this celebration. To close the business houses all day Thursday, May 23 would give the employes at least one-third of the celebration time. To arrange a schedule of closing at intervals during the celebration would also give these employes an opportunity to enjoy the program.

This plea is made in hebalf of the people who work not only because many of them have contributed to the expense of the celebration, but they should have equal privileges in sharing the historic occasion.

Since show windows are to be given for relics displays and since the 3 days are not merchandising days, but celebration days, it would not be at all out of line if the stores generally remained closed a part of the time.

Cameron merchants have shown they will cooperate and employes will be given the opportunities suggested.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES

"Adam and Fellen Man" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist ,on Sunday, May 12.

The Golden Text is: "As in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive" |I Corinthians 15:22).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace" (Romans 8:6).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passabe from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "We must destroy the false belief that life and inteligence are in matter, and plant ourselves upon what is pure and perfect. Paul said, 'Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh'" (page 222).

AIRPORT AID

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showing the need for tremendous development of the state's airfields, it is expected that a large slice of the discretionary fund ,amounting to 25 per cent of the whole, will be earmarked for Texas.

The amount that Cameron receives from the Texas share of the final allotment will not be known until a new survey of the nation's needs are made by C. A. A. Preliminary estimates here have placed the amount as high as $25,000 or more, depending on plans for the improvement of the municipal airfield. It was expected that no money will be available until next summer.

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LYNN SKELTON WINS VALEDICTORY HONORS

Lynn Skelton, daughter of W. B. Skelton, will be Valedictorian of the graduating class in the late May exercises. She was voted the class honors when she topped the grade classification in the final examinaions.

Edith Walton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Walton, will be Salutatorian for having won second high grade honors among the Seniors.

Edward Flinn, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Flinn, won third high in the final allocation of grade points.

Walter Lawrence, son of Mrs. Mary McLane Lawrence and Hayden Lawrence, won fourth in honors, and Richard Johns, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Johns, was fifth.

In the final grade classifications there was little difference in the figures on the five high students.

Other ranking students and their parents are: Nettie Lou Rosenberg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rosenberg; Patsy Esslinger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Esslinger; Vira Dell Yarbrough, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Yarbrough; Eleanor Sue Muse, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Muse; Mazie Malone, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Malone; Delores Schreiber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Schreiber; Ruth Reichert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Reichert; Mildred Glaser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Glaser; Vivian Carleton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Carleton; and Marion Brewer, daughter of Sam Brewer.

Graduation exercises will be held on Tuesday night, May 21.

BODY OF ARMY SERGEANT SOUGHT IN LITTLE RIVER

Belton and Temple firemen late Thursday night were searching the swift waters of Little River about two miles east of the bridge between Little River and Holland in an effort to find the body of Staff Sergeant Ernest Peterson, Camp Hood soldier, who had attempted o swim in the swollen river.

Peterson, Don L .Soward, also of Camp Hood ,and two Temple girls had gone into the water at about 4:30 p.m. Soward said that Peterson was immediately carried downstream and he swam out to retrieve Peterson. He had brought the soldier safely to the bank and was climbing from the water when he saw Paterson was floating down the river again Soward reported.

Peterson was seen going under several feet downstream and was not seen since, the witnesses said. Soward searched the river bed until firemen arrived with grappling hooks. Under the direction of Frank Hamner, chief of the Belton fire department, the crew dragged the river under spotlights, severely hampered by snags in the river.

At a late hour Thursday night the body had not been found.—Temple Telegram.

ARMY PARADE UNITS LISTED FOR CENTENNIAL

The army will send three service units for the Centennial parade here on the opening day of the Centennial celebration, it was disclosed in a letter from Lt. Col. C. A. Deason to L. Van Perkins, chairman of the central committee.

Here is Colonel Deason's letter:

In relpy to your letter of April 20, in connection with the Cameron Centennial celebration at Cameron on 23, 24 and 25 May, 1946, it is contemplated that Fourth Army will furnish approximately the following troops for the parade.

One (1) Armored Infantry Battalion dismounted.

One (1) Armored Field Artillery Battery.

One (1) Light Tank Company.

In addition, it is contemplated that you will be furnished the following items of equipment for an army exhibit.

One (1) Armored Car
One (1) Light Tank
One (1) Liason Airplane.

The Commanding General, 2d Armored Division, Camp Hood, has been directed to contact you at the earliest opportunity to make all necessary arrangements, including any changes in vehicles or units which may be necessary.

Pvt. John M. Weems, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Weems, who has been stationed at San Antonio, spent a few days with his parents this week. Pvt. Weems volunteered for the service February 6, and has been stationed at Wichita Falls, and San Antonio. He is now enroute for new assignment.

Phone your news items to 282.

RADIO BROADCAST ON CENTENNIAL MADE HERE

The first of three radio programs originating from the base of the statue of Ben Milam on the court house lawn, was made at 11:30 a.m. Saturday.

Ben F. Reichert ,publisher of the Cameron Enterprise, was master of ceremonies.

L. Van Perkins, chairman of the Central Committee, told about the celebration plans.

The program was broadcast over station KTEM of Temple.

The program began with the announcer who introduced Ben F. Reichert, publisher of The Enterprise, as master of ceremonies. He wore a 100-year old black coat, property of Miss Pearl Clement, and worn by the late George Green, pioneer. Mr. Reichert was very good in his first radio broadcast. His growth of long beard and flat panama made him look the part but his voice betrayed the modern training he has had.

Mayor A. W. McCullin gave the official welcome to the people to attend the celebration.

L. Van Perkins, manager of the Chamber of Commerce, gave an outline of the program, together with a short historical sketch of the city.

Old time music gave the program a colorful lilt with Eldridge Angell playing the fiddle, Gilford Shuffield playing the guitar and Johnnie Susik on the banjo.

Ad Hall School To Close Thursday, May 9

Programs were being printed Tuesday for the closing exercises of the Ad Hall school.

The exercises will be held Thursday night, May 9, in the auditorium of the school.

Mrs. Vance Werner of Cameron will present the primary grades in a pragram of six numbers and Mrs. Groppel's room will present the 8th grade exercises.

Erma Louise Knight, 8-pound daughter, was born to Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Knight ,at 5:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 1, at Newton Memorial Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Knight live on Route 1, Cameron. Mrs. Knight will be remembered as the former Beatrice Noey

Kaspar Lazek, father of Fred Lazek, Sr., is ill and in the Newton Memorial Hospital. His many friends will be glad to know that he is doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Jackson and daughter, Frances, have returned from the Rio Grande Valley where they spent the winter, he looking after a colony of bees for Dusek and Jackson.

ANNOUNCING

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Haines announce the arrival of a baby daughter, Cathy Dean, born April 24. She weighed 8 pounds. Mrs. Haines is the former Mary Nell Halpain. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

Billy Pearl Beale of Route 2, Cameron, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Beale, has been attracted by the educational benefits of the army and has enlisted. He attended the Cameron public schools. He enlisted in San Antonio.

Pfc. John W. Braulett and Pfc. Jesse B. Braumbolaw ,of Camp Hood were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Weems ,the past week end

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Herald Files Supply Information On Old Times In Cameron

"From the files of The Herald," becomes increasingly representative of information on old times in Cameron and Milam county, as events of the past focus attention upon the Centennial celebration here May 23, 24 and 25.

Miss Ennis Turner of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, comes forward with a front page of The Herald published 32 years ago, November 12, 1914.

It was August 1941 that World War I was launched by the Germans when they declared war on France and England and marched into Belgium. A few days prior Arch Duke Otto of Austria had been slain at Sarajova and Austrian troops had marched into Serbia.

Nearly half the front page is taken up with a table showing the apportionment of the county school funds for that year and listing the names of teachers and the secretaries of the boards.

J. E. Watts was superintendent of schools in Cameron. There were 642 white pupils in the schools and 391 negroes. The state apportionment then was $8.00 and the county tax was 30 cents.

The old paper was preserved by R. E. L. Turner, father of Miss Ennis Turner and stamped on the upper right margin is the name of Dr. T. A. Pope, correspondent. He wrote many interesting stories for The Herald in those days.

A prominent story with double-column head, was about the sale of peanut hay in Rockdale at $1.00 per bale by S. T. Welch. He had planted three acres and harvested 325 bales, so peanut hay was worth $100 and more per acre.

Now that the city has raised some $20,000 for the Centennial with the aid of city funds, it is interesting to note that the city was being called on then to raise funds for a budget in Texas for a school for delinquent girls. The legislature had appropriated $25,000. Judge Corley of Dallas was state chairman. The Herald "joined the movement with a contribution of $1.00."

A committee had been named to raise the local quota as follows: Mesdames Graham Gillis, James Watson, George A. Thomas, Giles L. Avriett, L. H. Krough, R. H McIntosh, George Graves, Judd Davis and Misses Eleanor Henderson, Ertelle Westmoreland, Beulah Dobbins, Winnie Henderson, Mattie Lankford, Jeff Lewis, Aetna Smith, Annie Stallworth, Lela Woolley, Nell Morton and Bess Avriett.

CAMERON BAND BEST IN STATE CONTEST RATING

Cameron's Yoe High School Band topped the list of the first division bands in the Region 3 contest in Waco Friday.

The rating is therefore the highest. Under the rules to classify many bands may qualify for first division rating but the Cameron band was the best of all, according to notations made by judges for the information of Francis Cox, director.

On the record sheets the comment gave Cameron the highest rating among all top flight bands.

Edward Flinn, soloist for the Cameron band's entry, was also rated first division.

Cameron's band won state contest in 1937 and in 1939 won first place and also won the National Contest in Abilene that year. The band also placed second in the National contest in 1940.

Mr. Cox said that he is working on a schedule of music for the Centennial which will include standard patriotic music and sentimental numbers from the period. Many here have visualized a concentration on the old melodies.

The Temple band will take part in the parade on Thursday, May 23, the opening day. No other bands have accepted invitations.

City Delinquent Tax List to Be Published

Breaking a precedent of many years in which no public attention has been directed to delinquent taxes the city has announced that the list delinquent for the calendar year of 1945 will be published.

W. H. Stafford, assessor and collector of taxes, is preparing the list.

It was announced that all who pay taxes by Monday, May 6 will not be included in the publication.

PRICE CONTROL URGED BY WAR VETERANS HERE

Veterans of Foreign Wars in convention here Sunday from the 14th District of Texas, passed a resolution urging upon Congress the necessity to continue price controls.

The veterans, in indorsing OPA supervision of the nation's economy, stressed their belief that unrestricted merchandising will exhaust the buying power of the people quickly and lead to untold hardships.

A resolution presented by H. B. McClellen of Cameron opposing the British Loan was voted down. The resolution precipitated a lively discussion.

The convention was well attended with 128 delegates here. Lon Peeples of Milano was elected Quartermaster for the District and as secretary will give more details of the meeting.

Homer McCutchings of Waco was elected District Commander. L. P. Prewitt of Temple was elected Senior Vice Commander and Emmett Streetman of Cameron was elected Junior Vice Commander. Davis of Waco, Chaplain; Mathis, Judge Advocate.

J. Henry Perry of Temple, Senior Vice Commander for the State Department, said the meeting was the best he had attended. Mrs. Icicie Shoop of Corpus Christi, state president of the Auxiliary, was among those in attendance.

Roger Q. Evans, of Sherman, Junior Vice Commander for the state, was here. He was reared at Maysfield. He was at one time a candidate for governor.

W. S. Foster of Waco, the retiring State Commander presided. Both Evans and Foster are members of the Legislature.

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THURSDAY AND FRIDAY
MAY 16 and 17

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THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, MAY 9 and 10

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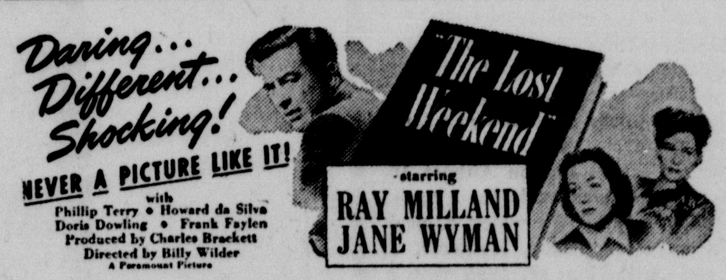

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Directed by WILLIAM A. SEITER Produced by JOE GERSHENSON

THE CAMERON THEATRE
THURSDAY and FRIDAY, MAY 16 and 17

Cameron Theatre

Thursday and Friday, May 9 and 10
"SPIRAL STAIRCASE"
Dorothy McGuire — George Brant

Saturday, May 11
"ROMANCE OF THE WEST"
Eddie Dean — Joan Barton

Sunday and Monday, May 12 and 13
"LOST WEEKEND
Ray Milland — Jane Wyman

Tuesday and Wednesday,, May 14 and 15
"THEN THERE WERE NONE"
Barry Fitzgerald - Louis Hayward - Walter Huston

Thursday and Friday, May 16 and 17
"LITTLE GIANT"
Abott and Costello

Saturday, May 18
"ABILENE TOWN"
Randolph Scott — Ann Dvorak

Milam Theatre

Friday and Saturday, May 10 and 11
"FRONTIER GUNLAW"
Charles Starrett

Sunday and Monday, May 12 and 13
"SAN ANTONIO"
Erroll Flynn — Alexis Smith

Tuesday and Wednesday, May 14 and 15
"EAST SIDE OF HEAVEN"
Bing Crosby

Thursday, May 16
"FIREBRANDS ARIZONA"
Smiley Burnett

Friday and Saturday, May 17 and 18
"SONG OF OLD ARIZONA"
Roy Rogers

COURT HOUSES

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saw, and covered with boards ripped and shaved. There was a door on the north side and one on the south side and a window in each end. On the south side two shed rooms about ten feet square were added, which were used as clerks' offices, there being a passageway between leading to the courtroom. Jacol Gross and Wiley Jones took the contract and erected the building."

This small building served Milam county for several years. Then it was moved near the location of our present jail. Additions were made and it became the first hotel of Cameron, the old Phillips Hotel.

In its place was erected a two-story frame building. As to the dimensions, the writer has been unable to secure authentic information. We know that it was a two-story frame building with a long hall running north and south, with the offices located on the first floor. The second floor was a large room in which trials were held, but at times it was used as a dance hall by the young people of the communtiy. At one of these gatherings, Mr. Williams, County Clerk, was shot. He, with his wife, had attended the ball, and pust as they were coming down the stairs from the ballroom, he was jerked from his wife's side, it is reported, and shot by Jim Boles.

This building was used until 1874 when it was destroyed by fire on the night of April 9. Nothing was saved; all records were destroyed except one surveyor's book, which was in the surveyor's home that night. It was rumored at that time that it had been ignited by a man who was accused of forgery and other crimes and wished to eradicate all records of his deeds.

Since this loss left Milam county without a courthouse, the county issued warrants to Sheriff W. E. Mitchensson for $295.00 for the rent of the old Phillips Hotel, which stood near the location of our present jail. This was used as a courthouse and as a lodging place for extra bailiffs and the deputy sheriff while plans were being formulated for a new structure.

No definite steps were taken in procuring plans for the new courthouse until June 2, 1875, when P. J. Jackson was requested to get some draftsman to draw up plans and specifications for a courthouse and publish them in order that bids might be received for the courthouse, the dimensions of which were to be 50x60 feet. The plans and specifications were published for a period of twenty days before the bids were sold. Citizens worked with zeal, for only three days later, June 5, 1875, the court proceeded to open bids for building the courthouse. The bids were as follows:

For brick work and plastering:

J. T. Carlton	$8,292.64
Peter Winters	$6,573.00
Arnold & Jackson	$5,900.00

The contract for brick work and plastering was awarded to Arnold & Jackson since they made the lowest bid.

For woodwork, trimming and painting:

L. B. Lamour	$6,993.00
Locket & Cade	$5,855.00
Thomas Booth	$5,350.00

The contract for this work was awarded to Thomas Booth, who was low bidder.

As there was not sufficient money in the treasury to carry forward the building plans, on July 27, 1875, individuals of Milam county offered money of their own resources for the building of the courthouse. The following are the amounts subscribed and names of the parties making contributions:

W. B. Streetman	$300.00
C. R. Smith	$100.00
J. B. Neher	$ 25.00
J. W. Henderson	$200.00
Geo. Green	$100.00
W. A. Nabours	$ 50.00
Jno. M. Mittchensson	$ 50.00
W. W. Oxsheer	$200.00
N. P. Garrett	$100.00

and others whose names cannot be found in any records.

The money was given to the contractors just as they needed it and the rest bore 10 per cent interest per annum. All these donors were exempt from the special tax which was levied to secure money for the building of the courthouse. Because of the shortage of money in the county, only the main part of the building was completed and other parts were finished as funds would permit.

On March 28, 1876, a contract was made with Patterson & Peacock for lightning rods for the courthouse. They were put on as follows.

One on each end of the courthouse and one on the north side to run to the top of the cupola and to be topped with a weather-vane.

J. C. Rogers saw that the new courthouse was furnished with necessary seats, and Thomas H. Breman, J. C. Rogers, and Mitt Livingston employed a mechanic to shelve the vaults of the County and District Clerk's office. They also procured seats and a bulletin board for the courtroom. Thus was completed Milam county's third edifice, which was the center of the county's history for about fifteen years.

It is interesting to note that in those days when livestock wandered at pleasure it was necessary that some enclosure be provided for the courthouse, so R. J. Boykin and J. G. Wilson were directed to construct a first class iron fence enclosing the courthouse yard.

In 1889, J. B. Gilliland was appointed a committee of one to build on the east side of the courthouse a good, substantial underground cistern to hold at least three hundred gallons of water. Although Cameron in later years has been supplied with water piped a distance of two miles from Little River, a tributary of the Brazos, yet this old cistern still stands as a reminder of those early days.

The people of Milam county are those who profit by experience and being mindful of the loss of their second courthouse with all its records they considered it wise to avail themselves of the opportunity of protection with a fire insurance company.

A policy of $4,000.00 covered the courthouse and $4,000.00 the records of the County Clerk's office. To those of later days it would seem foolish, indeed, if this precaution were not taken, but at that early time fire insurance was just coming into existence and was, by many, considered a gambling scheme.

Time, however, has its effect upon all things, and so it has been with the courthouse. In November, 1889, the grand jury reported that the courthouse was unsafe and recommended the erection of a new building. The County Commissioners were of the same opinion.

At this time Hon. E. Y. Terral was the County Judge and was requested to advertise for one week in the Galveston Daily News for plans and specifications for a county courthouse that would meet the needs of the people. On the third Monday in December of 1889 all plans were to be submitted so that the court could make a selection.

On December 12, 1889, a special term was called to consider the building of the new courthouse. Everybody was not in favor of the movement, as is shown by an injunction filed by Judge John Henderson. Many prominent citizens argued that the courthouse was safe and sufficient for their purposes.

Plans and specifications for the courthouse were offered by many architects, but the court decided upon those offered by Lamour & Watson, of Austin, Texas. Anyone who desired to see the plan had access to them either at the offices of Lamour & Watson at Austin, or else at the County Clerk's office at Cameron.

Bids were invited for the construction of the new courthouse, and E. Y. Terral, County Judge, was ordered to advertise for bids in the Galveston News and the Fort Worth Gazette. The contractors were to bid for the old courthouse as well as for the building, and would have to remove it and clear the ground of the debris so that the new building could be constructed in its place. None of the material in the old courthouse could be used in the new.

Bids were offered and Lee & Plummer received the contract, in which they agree dto build the new courthouse in accordance with the plans of the architects. They were to include everything for the sum of $82,375.00, dispose of the rubish as they saw fit.

Many of the people still did not desire a new courthouse, and so all further work in this direction was postponed until some definite agreement could be made among the citizens. The County Judge had Ben D. Lee, one of the contractors to inspect the building and make a report. The following is what he submitted on the matter.

I find the building very defective in its original workmanship and is also in a bad state of preservation in this, that the east west walls have sprung from one to one and one-half inches out of plumb. I further find cracks over the majority of the openings. The above defects are caused from the settlings of the foundations and the lack of anchor irons and bond timbers. I further find the roof bad, which has caused a great deal of damage to the building. I further represent that the building is not unsafe or dangerous and can be made to stand for an equal period of time since it was erected.

Respectfully submitted,
Ben D. Lee.

So Ben D. Lee submitted plans by which the courthouse could be repaired and made "as good as, if not better, than new." The costs for the improvements were estimated as $3,726.20. After these facts were made known, all the citizens realized that it would be advisable to construct a new building.

To raise money for the building 15 cents was assessed on every $100.00 valuation of taxable property in the county, and 10 cents for the succeeding five years. The contractors were placed under $42,000.00 bond, but when the court inspected William Plummer's bond they found that his bondsmen were on other bonds for more than they were worth. The court was not over-enthusiastic about building, so they immediately declared that they would do nothing further toward erecting a new courthouse. They ordered all furniture that had been moved from the courthouse and stored preparatory to building the new edifice placed back in the courthouse and "branded" with M.C. (Milam County).

The architects and contractors became furious at this action and filed charges against the county for damages arising out of the refusal of the court to proceed in the construction of the courthouse. The Commissioners understood how much the county needed a courthouse, so they began to compromise with the architects. The contractors and architects agreed to construct a courthouse with the same plans, material, and specifications for $75,040.00 rather than at the original offer of $82,375.00. With this agreement the builders were allowed to proceed upon condition that they withdraw all action for damages against the county.

Work was begun immediately, and within about eighteen months the courthouse was ready for inspection by the county and architects. On April 20, 1892, the Commissioners inspected the courthouse and found that the contractors had completed the work in accordance with their agreements. A few days later the architects made their inspection and gave the following report: "we, the architects, found the building the best and most thoroughly satisfactory piece of work ,as a whole, of any that we have ever accepted."

The furniture for our courthouse was purchased from the Ben Brooks School Furnishing Company.

The courthouse as it was completed then is not as we see it today. It was without a tower. But on August 16, 1893, an order was made for a tower for the courthouse in which a clock might be later placed. However, it was not until May 17, 1895 that a clock was fitted into the tower.

In the latter part of the year 1895 a contract was made with the Lawrence Water and Light Company to make sewer and water connections. Soon afterwards electric lights were installed.

For many years after its completion no thought was given to the beautifying of the grounds and hitching posts and farm wagons that surrounded it detracted much from its appearance. The women of the Civic League of Cameron decided to make this a spot of beauty and a source of pride to Cameron citizens. The grounds were laid out, walks were built and flowers were planted. At present the lawn is well kept and flowers bloom in profusion.

And so ends the story of the building which has served its people advantageously for almost thirty-five years, and which today stands looking out upon future years that will complete at least half a century of service, when it will have recorded the births and the deaths, the marriages and the divorces, the deeds, good and bad, of a people who have moved steadily onward and upward toward that time when, as some writer has said, "Happy is that people whose annals are brief."

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Mr. R. Todd, former Sheriff and County Treasurer of Milam County.

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